

THE BRITISH COLONIST.
Thursday Morning, January 3, 1887
TO ADVERTISERS.
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TO AGENTS.
Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the monthly payments will be discontinued. The daily and weekly issues will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will be made to this rule.

Economy.
It is better, says a philosopher, to meet danger than to wait for it. The mariner on a lee shore, foreseeing a tempest, stands out to sea to avoid shipwreck. The apothegm is especially applicable to matters of political economy. The statesman or legislator who foresees and meets an evil half way may succeed in subduing it. Governments, like individuals, not unfrequently overrun the constable by entering into speculations that are not followed by the expected gain, and by living beyond their actual income. The Government of this Colony has indulged in both with the common result,—empty coffers, large debts, and no credit. On the one hand, it complains of financial embarrassment; on the other, the people from Victoria to Cariboo, with just cause, complain of excessive taxation. The popular voice is more potent and can find more vent now than in the despotic days of Claudius Cæsar, when to meet the exigencies of an ambitious and extravagant government, "a decree went out that all the world should be taxed," and whilst it is plain to the most superficial observer that additional taxes cannot be borne by the people of this Colony, nor even the present ones tolerated, it is equally clear that the only course open to the Government is to examine closely into the best and wisest manner in which its expenses can be diminished. That they can be, indeed must be, for necessity knows no law, is too palpable to need argument. Retrenchment in the civil service of the Government is a laudable beginning, but the pruning must not end there; and if the greatest possible saving be not observed in every branch of departmental expenditure, the country cannot possibly tide through its present difficulties, and will sink into absolute and irretrievable bankruptcy, the shame of its few pauperized inhabitants, the despised of its neighbors. With the New Year a new leaf must be turned over, and a system of the strictest economy take the place of past extravagance. The Colony has been indulging in a little speculation in steamboating; the speculation has been a failure, excepting to the owners of the boats. Some forty or fifty thousand dollars have, during the past year, been thus squandered—thrown away! If we mistake not, much of this large sum still remains to be paid by Vancouver Island, and if the amount due by British Columbia has been met it can only have been by increasing her debt to the bank of the same name, with interest at the rate of one per cent per month. True it is that the people of this Island cannot complain of the subsidy paid to the mail steamers during the past year, inasmuch as they earnestly desired it, believing at the time that Big Bond would attract a large number of miners who would be induced to come through British territory rather than go via Portland. With this object in view, it was stipulated that the rate of passage money should be much less than that usually charged. It was this very diminution of the rate of passage that occasioned the granting of so large a subsidy—indeed of any subsidy at all. The whole scheme has unfortunately long since proved to be an entire failure, and a great loss to the people at large. The Colony cannot afford to play the same rash game a second time, and therefore when the present engagement (if any there be) expires, no further subsidy must be given. Nay, it would be more honorable at once to declare that we are penniless; let the unprofitable thing drop; pay as heretofore, a few dollars for the mail, and allow the steamboat owners to charge what they please for passengers and freight. Here then is an item of no small magnitude, which need not encumber the estimates of the present year. We have no fear of the result interloping with immigration for some time to come, and it would require a pretty large immigration and a vast amount of public convenience to repay thirty thousand dollars per annum. The people have to provide for the entire expense of the Government, and before they can pay it they must earn it. The day has fled, we hope for ever, when taxes were paid out of capital instead of profits; and what is now most wanted is to enable the people to make money before attempting to take it from them; blood cannot be squeezed out of a turnip. We, therefore, call upon the Government not to subsidize boats again, and even to withdraw from the present engagement if possible. It is ruinous to

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iddle-fiddle any longer, and to go on running into debt when there is every prospect that the Colony will come to a dead-lock before the close of the year. Let us have no more loans to patch up deficiencies, but meet the emergency with a bold hand; drop carriages and kid gloves, and reduce the expense of Government so as to bring it within the income of the Colony. It is no matter of choice but of stern necessity. The entire revenue, whatever it may be, must not be swallowed up by a host of officials; something will be required for permanent improvement, although the people have no right to expect much. They have cast their bread upon the waters, will they find it after many days?

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VALETTA, (Malta), Dec. 16.—A United States ship-of-war has arrived here, bound to Alexandria to take Surratt back to America.

Mexico.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The *Herald's* City of Mexico correspondent of November 29th, says that Maximilian is as unstable as water, and it is still unsettled whether he will abdicate or resume his empire. The Council meeting, at Orizaba, did not result very satisfactorily. The idea of American intervention is unpopular among all parties, and Juarez himself had lost most of his adherents because of a report that he had granted a portion of Lower California to the United States.

The *Herald's* La Paz correspondent says the French column retreating from Mazatlan, was completely cut off from the Capital by the combined forces of Lázaro and Corona, and had embarked for France.

The *Herald's* special says the Department at Washington has received no official information of the intention of General Sherman and Minister Campbell to return to New Orleans, nor of their having done, as reported heretofore.

RICHMOND, Dec. 20.—Letters from the Mexican capital, dated 29th November, say: Maximilian's proclamation was issued at the request of his Mexican friends among the better classes, who assure him of the ample support of the country, and should Maximilian leave, he will do so honorably, and not abdicate nor be deposed. A number of French residents have been massacred in localities whence troops have been withdrawn, and their property confiscated.

South America.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Rio Janeiro advices of November 22d give the news from the seat of war to the 9th. On the 30th of October the Paraguayans, with ten battalions, supported by cavalry and artillery, during a heavy rain assaulted the position they lost on July 18th, but were repulsed, leaving 500 dead. As the Brazilians were well protected by the defenses, their loss is comparatively small.

The U. S. gunboat *Shamoken* obtained leave, under protest, to pass through the blockade and landed Minister Washburne at Carupaiti, both sides agreeing to an armistice for that purpose.

Canada.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—The *Herald's* Montreal special says: Two British gunboats left Quebec last night, having received orders from the Government to act as a convoy to the Canadian steamers. It is the intention of the Government to station a military force on the frontier, near St. Albans, in consequence of military preparations now being made by the Fenians under Roberts. A large quantity of military stores arrived here yesterday by the Grand Trunk Railroad.

SWEETSBURG, Dec. 19.—The Fenian prisoner Madden was out on trial to-day, but before anything decisive was arrived at, the Court adjourned.

DELAYED DESPATCHES.

Eastern States.

PHILADELPHIA, December 16th.—About 1 o'clock this morning the iron plated frigate *New Ironsides*, lying at League Island, was discovered to be in flames. Being so distant from the city considerable time elapsed before any fire engines reached the spot, and they were unable to do but little toward saving the noble ship. She continued to burn until afternoon and is now a total loss. No other vessels of the fleet anchored near her were injured. Naval officers were very reticent about the affair, but it is believed to have been the work of design.

NEW YORK, December 17th.—Justice Morrill has issued orders, on the application of counsel, for the arrest of John Morrissey, John A. Morris, William C. France, C. H. Murray, Z. E. Simmons, William D. Simmons, Jacob B. Hatch, D. L. Reid, Benjamin Wood, Jacob B. Lamerst, John McGee, Antonio Nathan, William Ward, William Croft, R. W. Hulise and Oscar Clark, all of whom the Sheriff is directed to hold to bail in the sum of \$3000 each. The order of arrest was granted on the affidavit of Nelson B. Odell, who deposes that during the two years last past he has lost \$35 000 at the different lottery and policy shops kept and maintained by the above defendants.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Court house was the scene of an explosion last night. A barrel of oil in the kitchen exploded. Two persons have died, and three others are injured seriously, and it is supposed mortally.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 14.—Hurricane's remains were buried here by his brother Andrew, and buried privately to-day in the vault which contains the remains of his mother.

CINCINNATI, December 16th.—The steamer *Pine Bluff*, loaded with pig iron from St. Louis, which arrived here on Friday, was attacked at the instance of some of her crew, for wages due, amounting in the aggregate to eight dollars and ninety cents. She was tied up at the mouth of the Licking River, opposite this city. The obligation was not paid yesterday, and at two o'clock this morning the boat was burned to the water's edge. She was insured for \$22,000 in Pittsburgh offices.

William Compton and Jno. Blake, who were severely burned by the explosion of gasoline at the Compton House, on Friday night, died from the effects of their injuries yesterday. This makes ten persons who have lost their lives during the last week by fires. There are nine victims yet living who are badly injured, and two of them in a condition that leaves but little hope of recovery.

BUFFALO, December 17th.—Palmer H. Wadsworth's rolling mill was destroyed by fire this forenoon. The loss is about \$150,000. The buildings and machinery were insured for \$200,000. A large portion of the machinery is probably not much injured.

RICHMOND, Va., December 17th.—Dr. S. P. Moore, late Surgeon General of the Southern Confederacy, is said to have received his pardon.

The *Herald's* Washington special says that Colonel Stover, who has recently returned to that city from Salt Lake City, reports that many outrages are being perpetrated on the Gentiles by Mormons. Brigham Young has sworn vengeance on them, and his followers were zealous in their prosecutions.

NEW YORK, December 16th.—The *Herald* says that most of the European Governments are organizing their armies and raising their

reserves to a higher figure than that at which they have hitherto stood. Under the organization the French army will amount to 1,250,000 men. England, which has hitherto been extremely careful about increasing her military expenditure, is adding considerably to the extent of her army and the Swiss Republic, which might be considered exempt from such necessities, is following the example. All this involves an increase of burdens upon the already over-taxed masses, and with them an increased necessity of revolutionary changes. The equivocal position in which France has been placed by the mistake of Napoleon renders this augmentation of her military establishment indispensable; but the question is whether the French people will be satisfied to submit to it very long. We believe the time is fast approaching when these immense military establishments will work the downfall of the dynasties based upon them, and when the popular voice will insist upon such reductions as will be consistent with purely national objects.

General Ashley introduced a resolution to-day in the House, for the appointment of a Special Committee to see if any officers of the Government have been guilty of a misdemeanor. It looked like a most successful move, but the Democrats resisted, and the motion to suspend the rules, to get it before the House, was lost by 89 yeas to 49 nays, there not being a two-thirds in favor of the motion. Among the nays were Ames, Davis, DeFries, Denning, Hale, Hubbard, Jenks, Latham, Raymond, Spaulding, Stokes and Whaley; all Republicans. It will probably be renewed when the House is full, and carried.

NEW YEAR'S CALLS.—A large number of gentlemen were "out calling" upon their friends on New Year's day. At some of the dwellings as high as sixty visitors were entertained, and but for the heavy shower of rain, which dampened the ardour of the very young men, and caused them to suspend their calls at an earlier hour than usual—the number of guests would have been greatly augmented. The custom of making New Year's calls, is not generally observed in England; but in Scotland very intimate acquaintances exchange calls. In Holland, Germany, and other Continental countries, the practice is maintained by all classes; and it is to the early Dutch, who settled in New York city (then known as New Amsterdam), that we are indebted for its introduction upon this continent. After New Amsterdam fell into the hands of the English, the Dutch residents continued to make calls on each other, and the usage was gradually adopted by the Anglo-Saxon settlers, until to-day it is observed by the Americans as a national custom. In the Eastern provinces, and in Canada, calling on New Year's day, has of late years grown to be universal, and we are glad to see that the agreeable custom counts its observers among a very large proportion of our population. The Chinese are in the habit of exchanging calls at the commencement of their New Year, which occurs in the latter part of January; the calling is kept up for nine days, and each visitor is regaled with wines, preserved fruits and mixed candies, all of Chinese manufacture.

FEARFUL SUFFERING ON SHIPBOARD.—We alluded briefly, in our issue of Saturday morning, to the arrival of the ship *Slatemac*, from New York, after a voyage of 173 days, with every soul on board, save the captain and first mate, down with the scurvy in its most malignant form. It appears that the *Slatemac* was fallen in with some twenty miles outside the Parallels by the whaling bark *Harrison*. She was displaying a signal of distress, as there were not men enough on board to manage the vessel and get her into port, or even to keep her out of danger, and she was driving at the mercy of the storm. She was boarded by the captain and eight men from the *Harrison*, who were hoisted on deck one by one, and immediately took charge of the vessel, the captain of the *Slatemac* gladly yielding the command. We understand that a claim of \$26,000 salvage will be put in on behalf of the owners, captain and crew of the *Harrison*, who allege that the *Slatemac* would have been inevitably lost, with all on board, but for their assistance. The scurvy among the crew is of the worst description, and could hardly have gained such complete mastery had the vessel been properly supplied with anti-scurvics.

The Health Officer considers it the worst case which has ever occurred on any vessel arriving at the port of San Francisco.—S. F. *Alta*, Dec. 24.

SATISFACTORY ASSAY.—MRS. B. Deffis has shown us a highly encouraging assay made at the Government Assay office, New Westminster, of quartz taken out by the Selkirk Company on McCall's Creek, Big Bend. Eight pounds, avoirdupois, of quartz taken indiscriminately from some of the rock brought down by Mr. Wattleit, gave the following result of gold:—18 ozs. 37 dwts.—\$379 70 per ton of 20 cwt. Five hundred pounds of the same rock were forwarded to San Francisco for assay by way of Portland, and the result will be made public as soon as known.

LEACH RIVER.—There are twenty-five men on the river, waiting anxiously for the completion of the ditch. Two companies, Williamson & Baker and Cosgrove & Scott, are working in the bank, and have prospects from which they could make \$3 and \$5 a day to the hand if the ditch were completed. Health on the river is good. A grand dinner was given by Bellier, the hotel and store keeper, on Christmas day, to the miners. Flour is selling at \$4 50 a sack, and whiskey at one bit a glass.

MECHANICS' INSTITUTE.—In consequence of the absence of New Westminster Capt. Porcher, R. N., the lecture announced by that gentleman for this evening will be postponed, and Mr. Waddington will deliver his second lecture on "Animal Magnetism," commencing at 8 o'clock. We hope to see a large attendance, the subject being most attractive.

DISTASTFUL FIRE.—A private letter, dated San Francisco, 23d December, received in town per Eliza Anderson, states that on the morning of the 24th December a fire broke out on First street, at the Central Hotel, by which five lives were lost. The building had been insured five days previously, and the proprietor was arrested on suspicion of arson.

THE PUBLIC MORALS.—There was not a single case on the Police docket yesterday—not even a d. and d. Considering that the preceding day was the first of the new year, this augurs well for a faithful observance of the good resolves always made at the close of the old year.

WARNING TO PARENTS.—A little girl, in this city, over two years of age, was allowed access to a box of Keating's cough lozenges, and eat about a dozen, when she was taken ill, and her system became so entirely prostrated from the effects of opium, that a medical attendant had to be called in, and considerable difficulty was experienced in restoring the child to health.

THE GERMANIA SING VEREIN gave one of their excellent soirees on New Year's night, which passed off most agreeably. There was a fair attendance of the "fair," and dancing was maintained with unflagging spirit until the small hours. Mr. Piper ministered to the wants of the guests with creature comforts of a varied and superior description.

THE SHOOTING MATCH between Mr. Gorow and Sergt. Wade, (Victoria vs. Esquimalt), took place on New Year's day, at Brown's hotel, Parsons' Bridge. A dispute having arisen as to which was the winning party, the shooting will be repeated again to-day; firing to commence at 12 o'clock m.

THE CAPITAL.—A requisition, calling on the Mayor to convene a public meeting to consider the expediency of memorializing the Governor with regard to the location of the capital, was circulated yesterday by Captain Doane and Mr. H. E. Seelye, and a large number of signatures obtained.

VANDALISM.—Some persons in sheer wantonness have destroyed the ornamental part of the railings enclosing the Presbyterian Church, on Pandora street. It is a pity that the perpetrators of this unpardonable outrage could not be detected and severely punished.

No telegraphic communication was had yesterday south of Red Bluffs, California. The flood continues in Sacramento valley, and the poles for many miles have been swept away.

THE ACTIVE, according to an understanding which prevailed when she last left this port, should have left San Francisco yesterday on her return trip.

VICTORIA RIFLE CORPS.—Company Drill for both Companies on Thursday at 8 p. m., at the Drill Hall. By order, J. Gordon Vinter, Lieut. and Adjt.

STEPHEN SCOTT, Chief Engineer of the steamship *Moses Taylor*, lately died when the vessel was near San Francisco.

JOHN P. BAKER, a pioneer merchant of San Francisco, died on the 23rd Dec, of heart disease.

THE FIDELITER reached Portland on Tuesday evening, and will probably leave there to-day for this port.

The Sound steamers came over on New Year's day with full freights and a large number of passengers.

THANKS.—Mr. H. E. Levy, late of this city, has our thanks for files of late papers.

The Mayor as a Member of the Council.

Messrs. EDITORS.—Notwithstanding your remarks on the subject, I think the majority of the citizens of Victoria will agree with me that the presence of Mr. Macdonald, as Mayor of Victoria, in the Legislative Council, is most desirable for the interests of the city. The local business that will afterwards devote upon him in his municipal capacity will mainly depend upon the action taken in the Council; and till that has been decided, little or nothing can be done by the Mayor and Council. Let our Chief Magistrate represent the views of the citizens, in the Council at New Westminster, and then return to Victoria to carry them out.

Mr. Macdonald represents the people of Victoria, and although nominated by the Governor to the Council, he can only represent the views of his constituents; and as the Governor has so strongly and openly stated his desire to carry out the views of the people, as expressed by their representatives, the appointment of Mr. Macdonald, and his independent action under it, will be the best test that could be had.

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New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

MR. H. H. W. AITKEN, TEAM BREWERY, under the style of Drake, Jackson & Aitken. No alteration will take place in Victoria. DRAKE & JACKSON, 1st January, 1887.

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The undersigned respectfully solicit a continuance of the patronage heretofore so liberally bestowed. de 1st Jan 1887. CARSON & MURRAY.

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Shipping Intelligence.
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Star Josie McNear, Berry, Port Townsend
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PASSENGERS.
For stmr JOSIE McNEAR, from Puget Sound—Hess
Giles Ford, Hon. Benj. Huntington, Hon. M. Edridge,
C. Carson, G. Gilling, J. Brady, S. G. Gilling, A. B. Gilling,
P. Gilling, Mrs. L. Gilling, Miss Anne Gilling, Miss
P. Gilling, E. Gilling, M. J. Gilling, H. J. Gilling, G. Gilling,
and 2 Kootenai.
For stmr ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound—T.
Harris, E. Clarke, Miss Anne Bullen, Messrs. Boyce, B.
Harris, Duncan, Thompson, F. Clarke, B. Gilling, Simpson,
Harris, Hall, Reed, Robinson, Adams, Green, Wright,
P. Gilling, Lewis, Graham, Clarke, Williams, Parker,
and wife, Hollett.
CONSIGNEES.
For stmr JOSIE McNEAR from Puget Sound—Hutchin-
son & Co., G. D. Clark & Co., Carson & Co., Order.
For stmr ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound—
Order, Hall, Sufo.
EXPORTS
Per stmr JOSIE McNEAR from Puget Sound—144
sheep, 12 hogs, 7 cattle, 24 cks beef, 280 lb butter, 6 bxs
apples, 3 bxs eggs.
Per stmr ELIZA ANDERSON from Puget Sound—20 cks
oysters, 1 cow and calf, 2 hxs furs, 1 bxs eggs.
Auction Sales To-day.
J. A. McCREA, Wharf street, will sell, at 11
o'clock a.m., at Salesroom, Household Furniture,
also Carpets, &c.
Another Fearful Accident on Mont
Blanc, Switzerland.
(Correspondence of the London Times.)
Paris, Oct. 17.—The news of another dis-
aster comes to us from Chamouni. It ap-
pears that the fine weather had attracted a
considerable number of families to that place,
and among others, Capt. Arkwright, an
Englishman, with his mother and his two
sisters. On Friday morning last he resolved
to attempt the ascent of Mont Blanc, and
one of his sisters decided on accompanying
him as far as the Grands Mulets. Early on
the following morning, Capt. Arkwright took
his departure with two guides and a porter,
and about nine o'clock they were seen as-
cending the Grand Plateau. In advance of
the party went Sylvain Goutlet, the proprietor
of the new huts on the Grands Mulets, at-
tached by a rope to a coachman of the Hotel
Royal, known by the name of Nicholas, who
wished to profit by the opportunity to ascend
Mont Blanc. On reaching the Grand Plateau
the parties agreed to take the passage which
had been usually followed before 1820, but
which was subsequently abandoned in conse-
quence of a catastrophe similar to the present.
They adopted it in preference to the "Cor-
ridor," from its shortening the journey by two
hours, and because they calculated on having
much less ice to cut through, as was ex-
perienced during the summer by three or
four other parties. They were about half an
hour in their ascent when Sylvain Goutlet,
who was in advance, suddenly heard above
him a loud detonation. He looked up and
to his horror saw an avalanche rushing down
with fearful rapidity. He instantly shouted
out to those who were below him, "Save
yourselves! to the right! to the right!" He
threw himself in that direction, advanced a
few steps, struck his staff into the snow and
clung to it with all his might, and his com-
pagnon Nicholas did the same. They both
threw themselves flat on their faces and
buried their heads in the snow. They had
hardly done so when a tremendous crash fol-
lowed, and the immense mass thundered
along quite close to them—so close that they
were all overplashed with the fragments of
the ice. In a few minutes, when the avalanche
had passed, they raised themselves up and
looked about for their unfortunate com-
pagnons. They saw nothing—nothing but a
furnow under them, and further down on the
Grand Plateau a mass of blocks of ice.
Goutlet and Nicholas descended in all
haste in the same direction and searched
everywhere in the hope of hearing a cry or
mean to indicate that some had survived the
catastrophe. They at last perceived an arm.
At great risk to themselves they reached the
spot and dragged out from between the blocks
a dead body, the skull crushed and the breast
laid open. They laid it on the snow and re-
sumed their search but found nothing more.
They resolved to descend and announce to
the sister and the other families that there
was no hope beyond the faint one of finding
the following day the three other bodies buried
in the ice. They reached the Grand Mulets,
where Mrs. Arkwright had been left, and in-
formed her that it was useless to wait any
longer, and that she herself must, without a
moment's delay, descend with them. The
writer of a letter from Chamouni says:
"Imagine the scene that took place—the
lamentations of the mothers, of the three
widows, and of the nine orphans. The pen
is powerless to describe it. Mrs. Arkwright
bemoaning her son; her two daughters weep-
ing for their brother; but calm and firm,
and relying on the will of God, who tries
them so cruelly. They are still hoping, un-
fortunately, against hope, for the recovery of
the bodies of the victims."
On Sunday morning fifteen men, selected
from among the most intrepid of the popu-
lation, left on the search. They proposed to
pass the night on the Grands Mulets, in order
to begin early the following morning clearing
away the avalanche; and many others have
offered themselves to act on the following
day, if necessary. Fortunately, the weather
was fine and favorable to their perilous work.
An American family, who did not wish to
have their names mentioned, gave the Mayor
250 francs for the three widows.

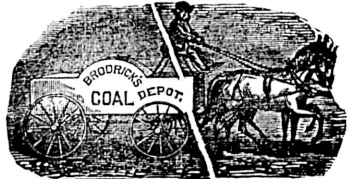
Auction Sales.
J. A. McCREA—Continued.
Household Furniture,
REMOVED TO STORE FOR CON-
VENIENCE OF SALE.
Superior Mahogany Bedsteads, Spring
Mattresses
Ordinary Turned Post Bedsteads
Mahogany Marble Top Bureaus, with
Mirrors
Marble Top Washstands, Commodes
and Centre Tables, Mahogany
Rockers
Mattresses of Various kinds, Double
and Single
Damask and Lace Curtains, Cornice
Pillows and Bolsters
Various Tables, Stove, Mirrors, En-
gravings
Lamp, Crockery, &c.
ALSO
New Carpets, made up
[If not previously sold privately]
3 New Superior Brussels Carpets,
various sizes, never used, and 1
Stair Carpet. ja1





AUCTION
Tuesday, Jan 8, 1867,
AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON
Real Estate
IMPORTANT SALE
OF
The Best Property in
Victoria!!
ST NICHOLAS HOTEL
And Other
VALUABLE PROPERTY
Mortgagee's Sale.
To be sold by order of the Mortgagee,
all that piece of Land, known as the northern
half of Lot 161, commencing at the corner
of Section 74, Victoria District, abutting
on Cadboro' Bay road, and containing in width
Yates street, 120 feet, thence at right angles
south 33 feet, thence at right angles west 120
feet, thence north along Government street
33 feet to the place of commencement.
Sold under power of sale contained in deed
26th July, 1862.
This valuable property consists of the north
wing of the St. Nicholas Hotel, containing
upwards of 40 rooms up stairs, with the
Billiard Saloon below, and the whole can
easily be divided off from the rest of the
building.
CONDITIONS OF SALE:
The above mentioned property being offer-
ed for sale under the powers in that be-
half contained in the Mortgage deed, under
which the Mortgage has the same, and
which deed has been duly registered under
the Land Registry Act, 1860, the title shall
commence with those deeds and the pur-
chaser shall not require the production of, or
investigate, or make any objection or re-
quisition in respect of the prior title, whether
such prior title appear by recital, settlement,
covenant for production or otherwise, or do
not appear at all.
An abstract of the title deeds, which will
be delivered to the purchaser, will be pro-
duced by the Auctioneer at the sale, and
will be open to the inspection of any person
at the office of Messrs Drake and Jackson,
the Mortgagee's Solicitors, at any time be-
fore the day of sale.
Full description of other property will be
given to-morrow.
J. A. McCREA,
Auctioneer.
de27

Auction Sales
AUCTION
Furniture!
THIS DAY,
Thursday, Jan, 3rd,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
J. A. McCREA
WILL SELL
AT SALESROOM,
Wharf street,





Auction Sales.
P. M. BACKUS—Continued.
Real Estate
At Auction.
Family Residence,
ON FORT STREET.
P. M. BACKUS
Has been instructed by T. H. McCANN,
TO SELL
AT PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW
Friday, Jan. 4, 1867,
AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON,
THOSE two well known Houses built by
T. H. McCann, in the very best manner,
lathed, plastered and papered throughout,
situated on Fort street, near the corner of
Wilcox street.
The house leased to Mr. Hecowitz, con-
tains sitting room, dining room, three bed-
rooms, kitchen, pantry, and the necessary
outhouses; each room is supplied with gas
and fixtures, and has the most approved
grates.
The house occupied by T. H. McCann
contains sitting room, dining room, four bed-
rooms, kitchen, pantry and the necessary
outhouses, and is supplied with the most ap-
proved grates in each room. On the property
is a good well of water.
Each house is insured for \$1,300, in the
Royal Insurance Company, up to the 1st of
March next.
This property is situated in one of the
most desirable locations in town, and presents
one of the best opportunities to persons
desiring to avail themselves of the Homestead
law. Each house has heretofore been leased
at a rent of \$35 per month; \$25 for each
house, per month, can be obtained at the
present time.
Conditions of Sale:
25 per cent. cash on the day of sale
25 " in six months
50 " in twelve months
With interest at the rate of one and a
quarter per cent. per month.
The above property is known on the official
map as town lot 74.
Title guaranteed.
Acts of Purchase at Buyer's Expense.
ALSO
Mortgagee's Sale.
ALL that piece of Land situate at the
corner of Charles street, and being part of
Section 74, Victoria District, abutting on
Cadboro' Bay road, and containing in width
on the south side, 190 feet or thereabouts,
with buildings thereon. This land has been
under cultivation, and is well stocked with
fruit trees.
The mortgage is registered, and the deeds
are lying at the Land Registry Office for
inspection.
ALSO
Mortgagee's Sale.
TOWN LOT No. 1211, on Collinson
street, 60x200. de24
ALSO
Mortgagee's Sale.
THE first class Cottage Residence, lathed
and plastered inside and outside, containing
four rooms and a kitchen, commodious wood-
shed and necessary outhouses, situate on the
continuation of Cormorant street, being part
of suburban five acre lot, No. 5, being 60
feet on Cormorant street by 77½ feet in
depth more or less.
TERMS:
One half cash, and
One half, for one year, at one and one-half
per cent., interest per month. de29

Auction Sales.
P. M. BACKUS—Continued.
WRECK OF
Str. Transport
BY AUCTION.
P. M. BACKUS
Has been instructed by Capt. SANDS
TO SELL,
For account of whom it may concern,
THE SCHOONER RIGGED STEAMER
TRANSPORT,
As she now lies in Ruffall Cove, mouth of
Clayoquot Sound, and her
CARGO,
On Saturday, Jan. 5,
AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
On the Hudson Bay Co.'s Wharf, viz.:
VESSEL:
Consisting of
Hull, Engine, Boiler, Bolts, and Wind-
lass.
ON THE WHARF:
9 Copper Pipes, various sizes
5 Patent Tackle Blocks
2 Single do do
25 Mast Hoops
12 Hanks
1 Grind Stone
3 Mast Head Bands
1 Band and Cap
5 Rings for Gaff Topsail
1 Boat, Sails, Masts, and Row-locks
complete
1 piece of Sail
2 Axes
Several pieces Manila Running Rig-
ging
1 Anchor Fish Hook
Lot of Standing Rigging
1 Stove
1 piece of Hawser
CARGO:
108 M Feet Rough Lumber
42 M Laths de31
SALE OF
CROCKERY
By Auction,
P. M. BACKUS
Has been instructed by the
HUDSON BAY CO.,
TO SELL
Wednesday, Jan. 9,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.
AT THEIR WAREHOUSE,
ON THE WHARF,
A large assortment of
CROCKERY
To Close Consignments and make
room for Importations expected
Per Glamara.
PARTICULARS HEREAFTER. de28

Auction Sales.
P. M. BACKUS—Continued.
California Saloon!
CORNER OF
Waddington Alley and Johnson streets,
By Auction.
P. M. BACKUS,
Has been instructed to sell
BY MR. LE LAIRE
—ON—
Wednesday, Jan. 23,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,
On the Premises,
All the Billiard Tables and fixtures,
Liquors, Bar Counter, Pictures, Look-
ing-glass, &c., &c., if not disposed of
previously at private sale.
PARTICULARS HEREAFTER.
Parties wishing to purchase at private
sale will please apply on the premises, or to
the Auctioneer. ja3

The English Ton of 2240 lbs.
OF THE BEST
NANAIMO SCREENED
COAL,
Delivered to any part of the City at the following rates
viz.:
\$11 00 Per Ton
5 50 Per Half Ton
3 00 Per Quarter Ton.
WEIGHT strictly guaranteed.
By R. BRODRICK,
Union & City Wharves. de17
17th December, 1866.
Coal! Coal!
KAVANAGH & CO., IN RETURN-
ing thanks to their numerous friends and cus-
tomers for favors shown during the past year, beg to in-
form them that in consequence of a slight reduction in
freight's they are enabled to offer the
Best Nanaimo Screened Coal at \$11
per Ton, and in proportion for
corresponding quantities.
de31 Jan 2p
Easy Shaving.
FRED. PAYNE IS STILL AT HIS OLD
stand on Johnson street, four doors from Wharf
street, and continues to work at prices to suit the times.
Shaving..... 12½ cents
Hair Cutting..... 25 " "
Shampooing..... 25 " "
de31
NEW MUSIC.
MAGUIRE'S IMPROVED MAZURKA,
composed and arranged for the Piano-forte; brilli-
ant and very easy. Also, the celebrated POLKA
ROMANTIQUE, so much admired, by Johanna
Strauss, Sen., and arranged in easy keys, by Edmund
Maguire, late Bandmaster H.M. Army and Navy. Price
5s. Can be had, arranged for any number of Instru-
ments, String or Wind.
Apply at
T. N. HIBBEN & CO.'s
de31
TO LET.
TO LET OR LEASE FOR 7, 11 OR
21 years, the Church Reserve, Lots 38 and 39, in
the Town of Esquimaux.
Apply to the
"CHURCHWARDENS."
de21
MR E. MALLANDAINE,
ARCHITECT,
Late Member of the Architectural Association, Lon-
don
OFFICE—Government street.
ja3
HOLIDAY PRESENTS
IN ANTICIPATION OF THE APPROACH-
ing
CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR
T. N. Hibben & Co.
have supplied themselves with appropriate Presents for
the occasion:
Elegant Editions of favorite authors.
Choice Selections from the best Poets, handsomely
bound and illustrated.
Illustrated Family Bibles.
Fine Church Services and Prayer Books.
A great variety of Juvenile and Toy Books.
Handsome Photographic Albums.
Handsome Portable Writing Desks.
Ladies' and Gentlemen's Dressing Cases.
Ladies' Work Boxes.
Ivory, Pearl and Shell Card Cases,
And other useful and attractive Goods.
T. N. HIBBEN & CO.,
de11 Jan
Government street.

Auction Sales.
J. P. DAVIES & CO—Continued.
WEDNESDAY
Wednesday, Jan. 16,
Toys & Fancy Goods,
Willow Ware,
Organs and Models of Ships,
Counters, Shelving, &c.
NOTICE.
We are Instructed by
MR. S. ZINN,
—TO SELL—
ON THE PREMISES,
Government Street.
Wednesday, Jan. 16,
AT 11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,
ALL GOODS not disposed of by
private sale by the 12th inst.
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The Private Residence of Mr Zinn,
on Fort street, having four rooms,
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Shipping Notices.
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the above vessel during her stay in port. de25 Jan
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CHAS. W. WALLACE,
Agent, de3
Victoria, V. I., Dec. 4, 1866.
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TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED AT
the office of the undersigned, until Wednesday next,
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cargo of this ship.
de31 Jan CHAS. W. WALLACE.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.
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Re Estate of D. Cerr.
A DIVIDEND OF 20 PER CENT IN
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Wharf street, 25th Dec., 1866.
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In the Supreme Court of Civil Justice,
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IN BANKRUPTCY.
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WHEREAS A PETITION FOR AD-
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Victoria, December 29, 1866.

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AUCTIONEERS AND COMMISSION MER-
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Cash advances made on Consignments. d11
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HOPE POINT, INDIAN RESERVE,
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AT THE
Cattle Sale Yard,
2 Cows,
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1 SADDLE HORSE, Suitable for a Lady
ALSO,
55 Hogs and several Head of Cattle
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SUBURBAN
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WE WILL SELL
By order of the Mortgagee,
AT SALESROOM,
Wharf Street
Thursday, Jan. 10th,
AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.
All those pieces or parcels of Land,
situate on Topaze Avenue, and known
on the map of the same as Lot 31 and
32, having 2 acres each, more or less.
ALSO
Lot One, on Topaz Avenue, having
one and one-fifth of an acre; fronting
on Saanich road.
ACTS OF SALE AT BUYERS' EXPENSE
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AT SALESROOM,
Wharf Street
Thursday, Jan. 10th,
AT 12 O'CLOCK, NOON.
All those pieces or parcels of Land,
situate on Topaze Avenue, and known
on the map of the same as Lot 31 and
32, having 2 acres each, more or less.
ALSO
Lot One, on Topaz Avenue, having
one and one-fifth of an acre; fronting
on Saanich road.
ACTS OF SALE AT BUYERS' EXPENSE
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J. P. DAVIES & CO.,
Auctioneers.

